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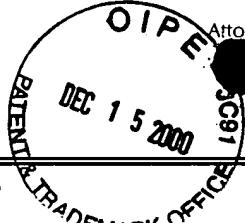
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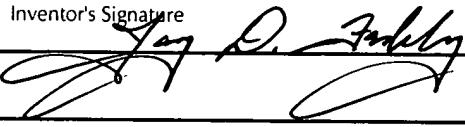
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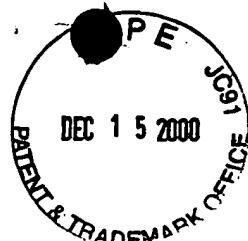
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Applicants respectfully request the change of attorney docket number to a new number for the above case. Please indicate the new docket number **08049.0009** on all future correspondence for Serial No. 09/652,275.

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